



## GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

# MEDIA ALERT

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*UPSON COUNTY...*

## **EXPECT DELAYS ON US 19/SR 3 NORTHBOUND FOR BRIDGE BEAM REMOVAL**

**WHEN:** 9 a.m. until 4 p.m., daily, Monday, March 12 through Friday, March 16, weather permitting

**WHERE:** US 19/SR 3 northbound at the Potato Creek Bridge in Upson County

**WHAT:** The Georgia DOT has been notified by the contractor of a daily single lane closure on US 19/SR 3 northbound in order to remove bridge beams from the existing bridge. Delays are expected in the area. Motorists are advised that the speed limit has been reduced to 35 mph through the work zone.

This is a **WORK ZONE** and extreme caution is necessary. Motorists are advised to reduce speeds as they travel through this construction work zone. Message signs, barrels and cones will be utilized to alert the public of the upcoming changes. Drivers should be aware that personnel and equipment will be operating in close proximity to travel lanes.

Each day, hundreds of Georgia Department of Transportation employees and contractors work on dozens of highway, bridge and intersection improvements throughout the state. Their work often brings them and heavy machinery in close proximity to travel lanes. Fifty-seven Georgia DOT personnel and many more motorists, passengers and contractors' workers have been killed in highway work zone accidents since 1973. Please help us prevent these tragedies by slowing down; being especially attentive and cautious as you pass through construction work zones; and always driving responsibly. Safer Driving; Safer Work Zones; For Everyone. For information on the Department of Transportation, visit <http://www.dot.ga.gov>; you also may follow Georgia DOT on [Facebook](http://www.facebook.com/GeorgiaDOT) (<http://www.facebook.com/GeorgiaDOT>) and [Twitter](http://twitter.com/gadepoftrans) (<http://twitter.com/gadepoftrans>).

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